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TAGS:PFOR, ASUP, ABLD, CGEN, UR

SUBJECT:KIEV CONSULATE GENERAL REAL ESTATE

REF: MOSCOW'S A-470

1. ON DECEMBER 30, EUR/SOV (GARRISON) HANDED SOVIET  
EMBASSY COUNSELOR MYSHKOV AIDE-MEMOIRE REQUESTING  
REAL ESTATE FOR KIEV CONSULATE GENERAL CONSISTING  
OF 4160 NET USABLE SQUARE METER OFFICE BUILDING,  
400 SQUARE METER CONSUL GENERAL RESIDENCE, FIVE  
SEPARATELY LOCATED APARTMENTS, AND DACHA. DETAILS OF  
REQUEST INCLUDED ELECTRICAL POWER REQUIREMENTS,  
FLOOR LOADINGS, CEILING HEIGHTS, GARAGE, AUDITORIUM,  
AND COURTYARD. TEXT HAS BEEN POUCHED.

2. MYSHKOV DID NOT COMMENT, EXCEPT FOR REMARK THAT  
COURTYARD AND GARAGE ASPECTS OF REQUEST MIGHT BE  
DIFFICULT PROBLEMS FOR KIEV CITY AUTHORITIES. HE  
SAID THAT THE SOVIETS HAVE ALREADY BEEN LOOKING AT  
PROSPECTIVE NEW YORK SITES AND ASSERTED THAT THEY WILL  
NEED TO ACT QUICKLY ONCE THEY DECIDE ON A PARTICULAR  
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PROPERTY, SINCE IT MIGHT DISAPPEAR FROM THE MARKET

BEFORE THEY ACT. MYSHKOV IMPLIED THAT SOVIETS MAY  
BE READY TO CLINCH SOME SORT OF DEAL ON NEW YORK

BUILDING AND ASKED IF DEPARTMENT APPROVAL OF BUILDING  
CHOICE COULD BE OBTAINED ON SHORT NOTICE IF NECESSARY.  
GARRISON REPLIED THAT SOVIETS ARE IN RELATIVELY  
ADVANTAGEOUS POSITION ON CONSULAR REAL ESTATE COMPARED  
TO USG AND THAT WE WOULD AWAIT SOVIET OFFERS IN KIEV  
WITH INTENSE INTEREST. HE URGED MYSHKOV TO INFORM  
DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER NEW YORK BUILDING  
SELECTED, AND INDICATED WE WOULD BEGIN CONSIDERING THE  
MATTER AT ONCE AT THAT TIME.

3. ON CONSULAR DISTRICTS, MYSHKOV SAID THAT HE HAD  
NO RESPONSE FROM MOSCOW ON US AND SOVIET PROPOSALS,  
BUT WAS HOPEFUL THAT VORONTSOV WOULD BRING SOME WORD  
WITH HIM WHEN HE RETURNS FROM HIS LEAVE AND CONSULTATION.

4. EMBASSY MAY WISH, AFTER CONSULTING WITH MFA,  
TO SEND TWO OR THREE OFFICERS TO KIEV IN NEAR FUTURE  
TO CALL ON LOCAL OFFICIALS AND MAKE PRELIMINARY SURVEY  
OF CITY, EVEN THOUGH AUTHORITIES MAY NOT YET BE ABLE  
TO OFFER PROPERTIES. IF FEASIBLE, CALLS ON CONSULATES  
OF OTHER COUNTRIES IN KIEV MIGHT ALSO PROVE USEFUL.

5. TOPICS FOR INVESTIGATION AND DISCUSSION SHOULD  
INCLUDE:

A. DESIRABLE AREAS FOR CONSULATE GENERAL BUILDING,  
APARTMENTS, CG RESIDENCE AND DACHA;

B. COSTS OF RENTING LEASED PROPERTY;

C. PROBABLE HOTEL CHARGES FOR ADVANCE PARTY AND  
DESIRABLE HOTELS FOR LONG-TERM RESIDENCE;

D. RELATIONS WITH UKRAINIAN MFA, UNION REPUBLIC,  
AND CITY OFFICIALS;

E. REPRESENTATIVE COSTS OF TRAVEL BY AIR AND  
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RAIL WITHIN PROPOSED CONSULAR DISTRICT AND TO MOSCOW;

F. LOCAL AVAILABILITY OF FOOD AND SUPPLIES COMPARED  
TO CONDITIONS IN MOSCOW AND LENINGRAD: IS THERE  
FACILITY FOR CONSULATES SIMILAR TO LENINGRAD ORDER  
STORE?

G. MAIL, TELEX, AND SHIPPING SERVICES PROVIDED

OTHER CONSULATES BY LOCAL AGENCIES.

H. INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL CONNECTIONS TO WESTERN

EUROPE AND EE COUNTRIES;

I. POSSIBILITY OF FREIGHT SHIPMENTS VIA VIENNA  
OR HELSINKI AND COSTS OF ALTERNATE ROUTINGS;

J. AVAILABILITY AND RELATIVE COMPETENCE OF LOCAL  
EMPLOYEES. KISSINGER

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